Like so much of the government, you have forgotten that you represent the public good. You do not represent just those with the most money and access, but ALL of us. I think the overwhelming negative response from the public should have more impact on Mr. Powell than it apparently does.

Also, since when is it the FCC's job to worry about what's best for media profit or "quality" of content? Isn't that the job of the businessmen and their corporations - sink or swim?

I not only am against any further deregulation, but I think the 1996 changes should be rolled back, and the fairness doctrine reinstated. Additionally, news organizations should not be allowed to be "for profit" businesses. The state of US news media is a joke. Fair and Balanced? Please! When 61% of the public believes the lie that Saddam and Al Queda were working together, it should be more than apparent that we have a BIG problem with our news media - and that problem is too much power concentrated in the hands of too few voices.

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